




National Forum on Vapor Intrusion Risk Management Session

Case Study – Bally Ground Water Superfund Site

 **Bally**

Bally Site - History

Bally Case and Cooler

- 1930's – High quality wooden cabinets and cedar chests
- 1950's – Insulated meat display cases (insulated with fiberglass batting, but experiments with urethane foam)
- 1960's – Meat display cases, and walk-in freezers (urethane foam, degreasing solvents)
- 1995 – Closed facility



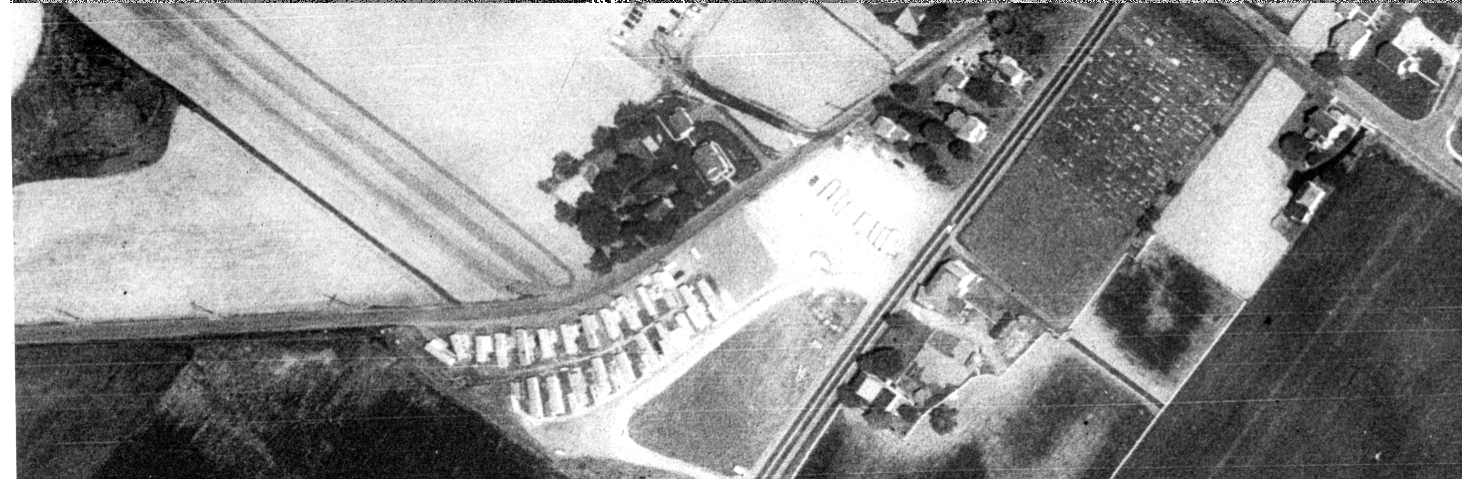
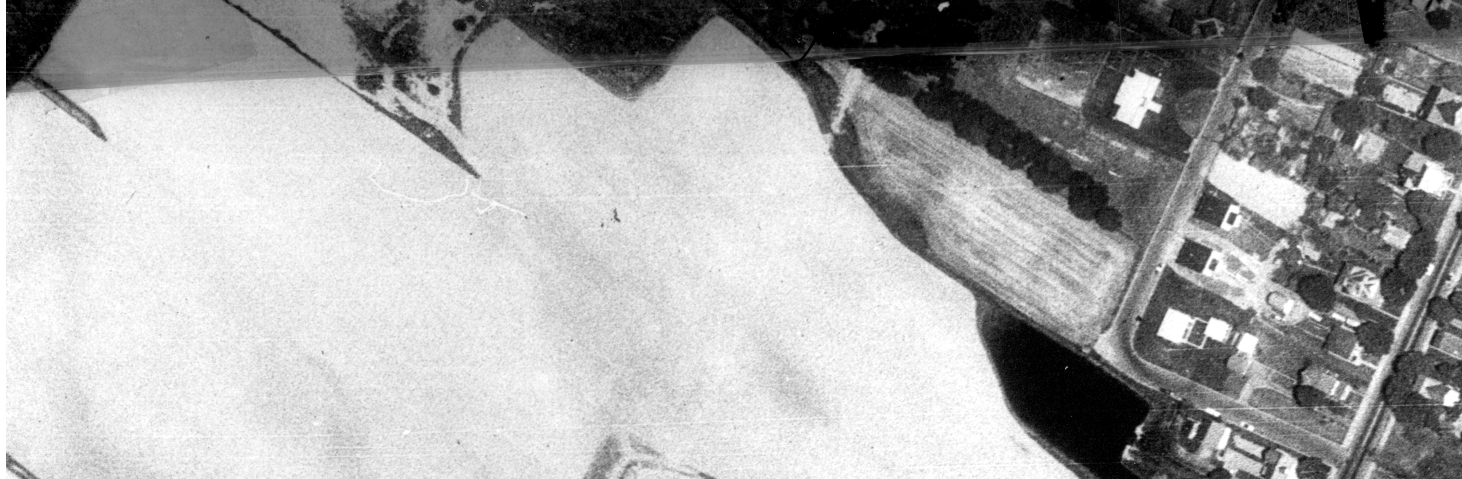


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Terminal, PA
(2009)

Bally – Solvent History

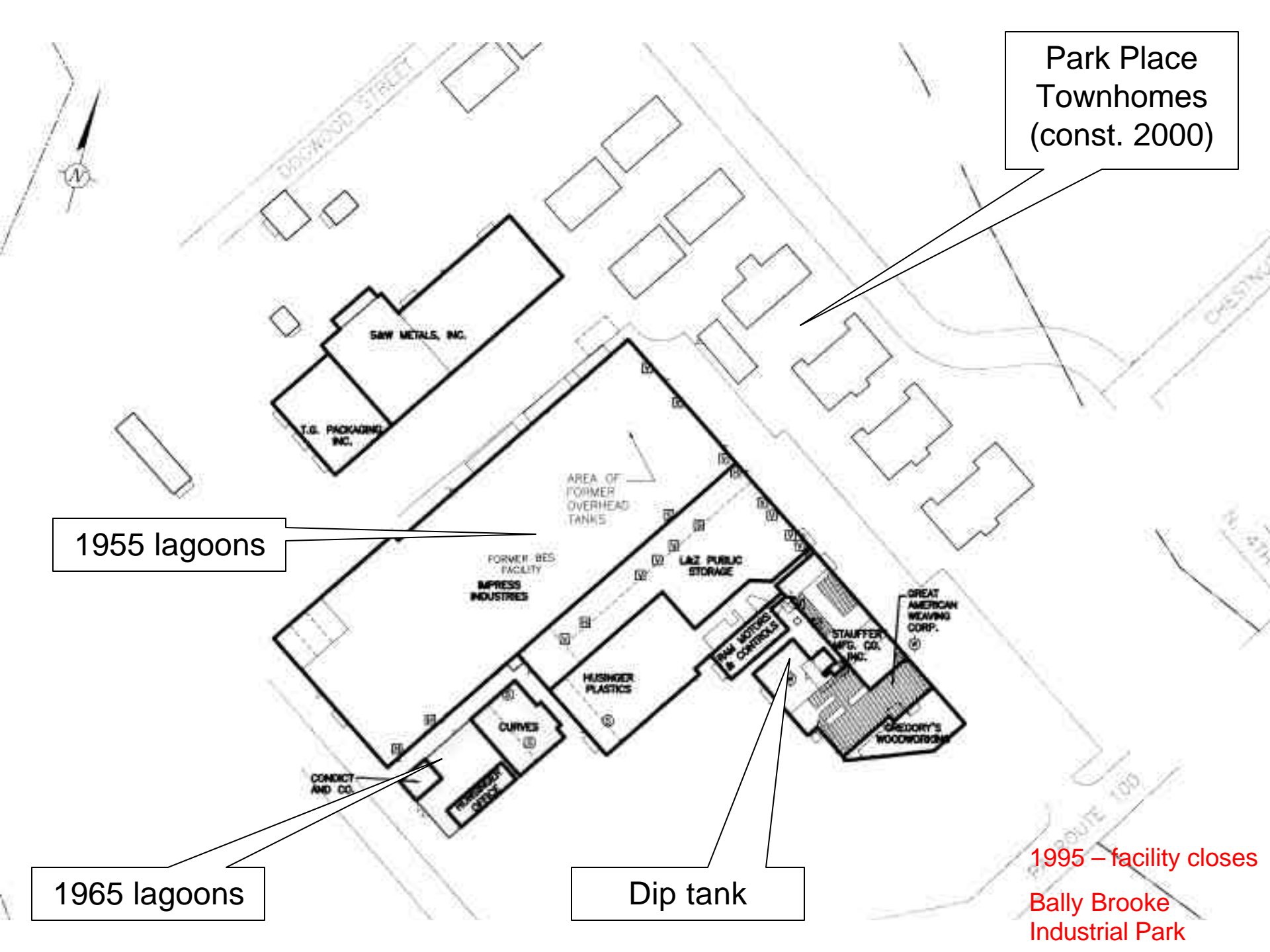
- Solvent releases early 1960's (urethane foam insulation) to 1969 (end of manufacture of meat display cases, source areas)
- Probable sources of TCE:
 - 2,0000-gallon dip tank for meat display cases
 - Four shallow waste water lagoons







1975



Park Place
Townhomes
(const. 2000)

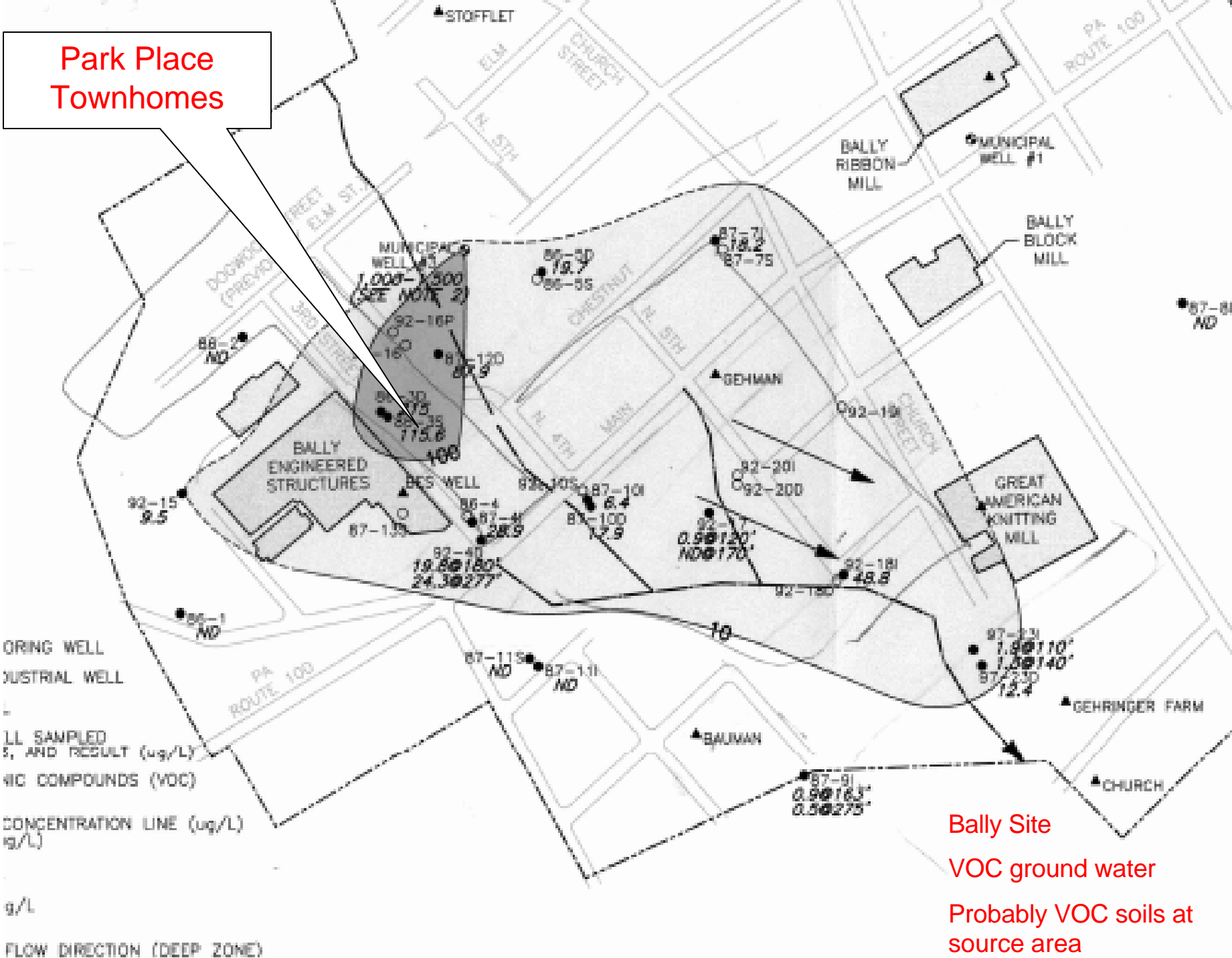
1955 lagoons

1965 lagoons

Dip tank

1995 - facility closes
Bally Brooke
Industrial Park

Park Place
Townhomes



Bally - Vapor Intrusion

Areas of Concern	Current potential receptor	Method of Investigation	Subslab results (TCE, ug/m ³)	Indoor air results (TCE, ug/m ³)	Outcome
1955 lagoons	Commercial/Industrial	Subslab and indoor air samples	180 – 4,200,000	40 – 490** CR >1E-4 HI >1	Mitigation
1965 lagoons	Commercial/Industrial	Subslab and indoor air samples	1.3 – 9.1	2.9 – 4.0 CR <1E-4 HI <1	No further action
Dip tank	Commercial/Industrial	Subslab and indoor air samples	4,200 – 110,000	0.35 – 2.5 CR <1E-4 HI <1	Monitoring
Park Place townhomes	Residential	Subslab samples (38/41 townhomes sampled)	Non-detect – 5.1*	Not collected	No further action

*133 samples; 129 < 1 ug/m³, 3 samples < 2 ug/m³, 1 sample was 5.1 (other two samples at that house were 0.22 and 0.18 ug/m³).

**2009 OSWER TCE guidance – cancer risk 3 to 8E-5, but non-cancer risk probably unacceptable (CNS, liver, kidney)

Bally – Lessons learned

- Subslab is high value sample
- Historical evaluation very useful for reused industrial Sites (multiple lines of evidence)
- Outcome not foregone conclusion



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